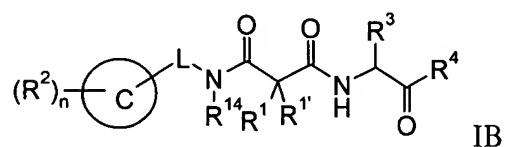
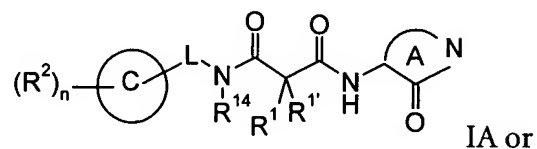
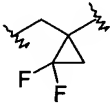



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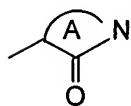
The invention relates to malonamide derivatives of formula



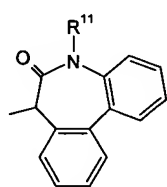
wherein

L is a bond, $-(CH_2)_m-$, $-CH(CH_3)-$, or is  ;

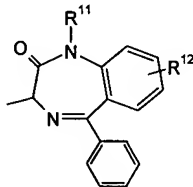
 is a cyclic ring, selected from the group consisting of phenyl, pyridinyl, furanyl, benzo[b]thiophenyl, tetrahydronaphthyl, indanyl, 2,2-dimethyl-[1,3]dioxolanyl and tetrahydrofuranlyl;



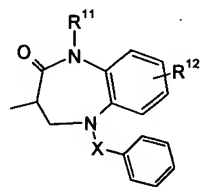
is selected from the group consisting of



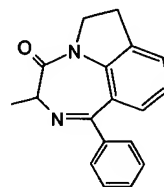
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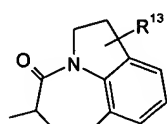
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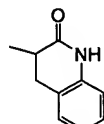
c)



d)



e) and



f);

and R^1 , $R^{1'}$, R^2 , R^3 , R^{11} , R^{12} , R^{13} , R^{14} , n and X are as defined in the specification and to

pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts thereof. The compounds are γ -secretase inhibitors. Thus, the invention also relates to pharmaceutical compositions containing these compounds and to a method of treating Alzheimer's disease by administering the compounds of the invention.

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